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E.O. 11652: XGDS-1

TAGS: ESTC, COCOM, UR

SUBJECT:POSSIBLE SALE OF MAGNETIC VIDEO HEAD TECHNOLOGY
TO THE USSR IL 1572

REF: A) COCOM DOC (76)407; B) STATE A-1792

FOLLOWING IS A REPEAT

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1) AMPEX HAS AGAIN RAISED ALLEGED OFFER BY BOGEN TO SELL
VIDEO HEAD TECHNOLOGY TO THE USSR WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF
COMMERCE. AMPEX ADVISES THAT THE SOVIETS HAVE A MULTI-
MILLION DOLLAR OFFER FROM BOGEN TO SELL SUCH TECHNOLOGY TO
THE USSR BUT THAT THE SOVIETS WOULD PREFER, IF POSSIBLE, TO
OBTAIN A LICENSE FROM AMPEX.

2) AMPEX EUROPEAN OFFICES ALSO REPORT THAT THE HUNGARIANS
HAVE ADVISED THAT IF AMPEX WILL NOT SELL THEM DIGITAL HEAD
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TECHNOLOGY (FOR 3330 TYPE DISC UNITS) THEN "SOMEONE ELSE
WILL". THE HUNGARIANS REPORTEDLY SHOWED AMPEX REPRESENTA-
TIVES A COPY OF A CONTRACT BETWEEN BOGEN AND THE USSR PRO-
VIDING FOR THE TRANSFER TO THE SOVIETS OF TECHNOLOGY FOR

MAGNETIC RECORDING HEADS, INCLUDING DIGITAL RECORDING HEADS, THE CONTRACT WAS REPORTED TO BE FOR 31.2 MILLION DM (ABOUT 12.5 MILLION DOLLARS).

ACTION REQUESTED:

USDEL REQUESTED TO PROVIDE THIS ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO THE GERMAN DEL FOR FORWARDING TO THE FRG AUTHORITIES. USDEL SHOULD ASK IF GERMAN DEL HAS HEARD FROM BONN REGARDING EARLIER REPORT (REF 2). (AGAIN, AMPEX'S NAME SHOULD BE WITHHELD IN DISCUSSIONS CONCERNING THIS MATTER.) UNQUOTE. ROBINSON

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